

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 8264–8279; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 116–117; and H. Res. 1115–1118, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 6100, to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the criminalization of female genital mutilation, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–506);

H.R. 5546, to regulate monitoring of electronic communications between an incarcerated person in a Bureau of Prisons facility and that person's attorney or other legal representative, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–507);

H.R. 2733, to direct the Attorney General to review, revise, and develop law enforcement and justice protocols appropriate to address missing and murdered Indians, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–508, Part 1); and

H.R. 2438, to increase intergovernmental coordination to identify and combat violent crime within Indian lands and of Indians, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–509, Part 1).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cuellar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:48 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m.

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Resignation of the House Parliamentarian: Read a letter from Thomas J. Wickham, Jr., in which he announced his resignation as the Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives, effective September 30, 2020.

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House Parliamentarian—Appointment: The Speaker appointed Jason A. Smith as Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives to succeed Thomas J. Wickham, Jr., resigned.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures: Ensuring Children and Child Care Workers Are Safe Act of 2020: H.R. 7909, amended, to facilitate access to child care services safely and securely during the COVID–19 pandemic, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 387 yeas to 33 nays, Roll No. 190;

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Child Care Protection Improvement Act: S. 2683, amended, to establish a task force to assist States in

implementing hiring requirements for child care staff members to improve child safety;

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Danny's Law: H.R. 3659, amended, to establish an Anti-Bullying Roundtable to study bullying in elementary and secondary schools in the United States;

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21st Century Community Learning Centers Coronavirus Relief Act of 2020: H.R. 8162, amended, to allow eligible entities under part B of title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to use subgrant funds for certain activities carried out by community learning centers, regardless of whether such activities are conducted during nonschool hours or periods when school is not in session;

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Promoting Research and Observations of Space Weather to Improve the Forecasting of Tomorrow Act: S. 881, to improve understanding and forecasting of space weather events;

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Rural STEM Education Act: H.R. 4979, amended, to direct the Director of the National Science Foundation to support STEM education and workforce development research focused on rural areas; and

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Election Technology Research Act: H.R. 4990, amended, to direct the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the National Science Foundation to carry out research and other activities to promote the security and modernization of voting systems.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:14 p.m. and reconvened at 2:22 p.m.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:14 p.m. and reconvened at 3:23 p.m.

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Equity and Inclusion Enforcement Act: The House passed H.R. 2574, to amend title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to restore the right to individual civil actions in cases involving disparate impact, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 232 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 192.

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Agreed to the Foxx (NC) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and Labor with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 255 yeas to 164 nays, Roll No. 191. Subsequently, Representative Scott (VA) reported the bill back to the House with the amendment and the amendment was agreed to.

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Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor, modified by the amendment printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–502, shall be considered as adopted.

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H. Res. 1107, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2574), (H.R. 2639), (H.R. 2694), and the resolution (H. Res. 908) was agreed to yesterday, September 15th.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H4475.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4472–73, H4473–74, and H4474–75.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

Committee Meetings

BUILDING A 100 PERCENT CLEAN ECONOMY: OPPORTUNITIES FOR AN EQUITABLE, LOW-CARBON RECOVERY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change held a hearing entitled “Building a 100 Percent Clean Economy: Opportunities for an Equitable, Low-Carbon Recovery”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PRIORITIZING FANNIE’S AND FREDDIE’S CAPITAL OVER AMERICA’S HOMEOWNERS AND RENTERS? A REVIEW OF THE FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY’S RESPONSE TO THE COVID–19 PANDEMIC

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Prioritizing Fannie’s and Freddie’s Capital over America’s Homeowners and Renters? A Review of the Federal Housing Finance Agency’s Response to the COVID–19 Pandemic”. Testimony was heard from Mark A. Calabria, Director, Federal Housing Finance Agency.

WHY DID THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION FIRE THE STATE DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR GENERAL?

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Why did the Trump Administration Fire the State Department Inspector General?”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of State officials: Brian Bulatao, Under Secretary of State for Management; Marik String, Acting Legal Adviser; and R. Clarke Cooper, Assistant Secretary of State for Political-Military Affairs.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: On September 15, 2020, Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5309, the “CROWN Act of 2019”; H.R. 7718, the “Protecting the Health and Wellness of Babies and Pregnant Women in Custody Act”; H.R. 8161, the “One-Stop Shop Community Reentry Program Act of 2020”; H.R. 6813, the “Promoting Alzheimer’s Awareness to Prevent Elder Abuse Act”; H.R. 8169, the “Elder Abuse Protection Act of 2020”; H.R. 7636, the “Custodial Interrogation Recording Act”; H.R. 8235, the “Open Courts Act of 2020”; H.R. 8225, the “Fight Notario Fraud Act of 2020”; and H.R. 7636, the “Custodial Interrogation Recording Act”. H.R. 5309 and H.R. 8161 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 7718, H.R. 6813, H.R. 8169, H.R. 7636, H.R. 8235, and H.R. 8225 were ordered reported, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5901, the “Technology Modernization Centers of Excellence Program”; H.R. 7496, the “COVID PREPARE Act”; H.R. 4382, the “Integrity Committee Transparency Act”; H.R. 7107, the “Plum Act”; H.R. 7340, the “Chai Suthammanont Remembrance Act”; H.R. 7548, the “PPE Buy America Act”; H.R. 7936, the “Federal Employee Access to Information Act”; H.R. 8109, the “Nonpartisan Postmaster General Act”; H.R. 2277, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1715 Linnerud Drive in Sun Prairie, Wisconsin, as the “Fire Captain Cory Barr Post Office Building”; H.R. 5562, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4650 East Rosedale Street in Fort Worth, Texas, as the “Dionne Phillips Bagsby Post Office Building”; H.R. 5972, the “Mary Ann Shadd Cary Post Office Dedication Act”; H.R. 5983, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4150 Chicago Avenue in Riverside, California, as the “Woodie Rucker-Hughes Post Office Building”; H.R. 7502, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 South 16th Street in Clarinda, Iowa, as the “Jessie Field Shambaugh Post Office Building”; H.R. 5451, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 599 East Genesee Street in Fayetteville, New York, as the “George H. Bacel Post Office Building”; H.R. 6016, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14955 West Bell Road in Surprise, Arizona, as the “Marc Lee Memorial Post Office Building”; H.R. 6418, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 509 Fairhope Avenue in Fairhope, Alabama, as the “William ‘Jack’ Jackson